

## STILL A MYSTERY

Shot Fired at Man at Page Mill Baffles Police.

Hannan Does Not Believe Fast Punctured Own Hat.

UNIONS DENY IMPLICATION

They Do Not Want Sympathizers To Interfere.

Strike Situation Here Shows No Material Change.

Police today were endeavoring to unravel the mystery of a shot alleged to have been fired about 10 o'clock Tuesday night at Carl Fast, an employee of the Page Milling company, as he was working on the second story of the mill in North Topeka. Fast's hat was in possession of Chief George Hannan this morning and shows a small hole had been made in the crown, as if by a bullet. Fast claims that the bullet knocked his hat off his head.

Fast had just started downstairs, he held the police, when the bullet entered the window, passed through his hat and went out another window on the opposite side of the building. The report that two shots were fired could not be verified by the chief.

Shots Were Not Heard. Hannan is holding a man for investigation concerning the affair. This man is said to have had a grudge against Fast and the police believe he may have been concerned with the shooting. Police officers and guards around the mill say they did not hear the shot and saw no one prowling around in that vicinity.

J. A. Clayton, international representative of the Cereal Workers' union, said today that he did not believe any of the striking millers were concerned in the affair. "And, furthermore," he said, "we want it known that we do not welcome interference from sympathizers. We respectfully ask for financial help from associated unions, but we do not want any rough stuff. We will fight our own battles and we intend to fight them clean."

The opinion borne by some of the officers that Fast might have fired the shot through his hat himself was not shared by Chief Hannan after he had made an investigation this morning. It was evident that the shot had been fired from the ground outside the mill, he said.

No Strike Changes. No changes in the strike situation here have been reported. Agitation among the men has been reported to use flour made by mills defined as fair to organized labor. Advertisements will be run in the newspapers wherever Topeka flour is shipped advising the union men of conditions here, Clayton said. Money for the support of the strikers is now pouring into the local treasury, it was stated.

"We received a check for \$100 this morning and another for \$25," Clayton said. "The total amount received is \$1,000 from another union. We intend to sit tight and fight the thing out to a finish and we have every reason to believe we will win this strike. The next proposals made toward a settlement must come from the operators. We positively will not take another step alone."

Prospects of an early settlement are dim. Mill operators say they are now running night and day shifts and will not sign the union agreement. The Teamsters' union still adhere to their decision not to haul flour and the refusal of the bakers to use flour made by the local mills concerned in the strike goes into effect next Saturday.

## BURGLARS GET ARMS

Big haul made at the Howard Electric Company.

Burglars who entered the store of the H. B. Howard Electric company early this morning got away with between \$300 and \$400 worth of goods, according to H. B. Howard, proprietor. The loot consisted mostly of automatic revolvers and rifles and a large quantity of ammunition. The merchants' policeman visited the store at 12:30 o'clock, it was said, and found everything all right, but when he returned at 2 o'clock discovered the door broken and a trail of the robbers has been found by the police.

## WORKING ON FIGURES

No New Developments in State Profiteering Investigation.

No new developments were reported at the attorney general's office today in the probe into the high cost of living.

"Today," said Richard J. Hopkins, attorney general, "is being devoted to compiling figures obtained from the relative to profits on goods. This doesn't indicate that the last two days' investigation is merely a flash in the pan. There will be many more developments and absolutely no let up until we get at the bottom of the whole affair."

## FINED FOR ASSAULT

Judge MacFarland Says Bill Link Then Became Policeman.

How a man was appointed on the police force after he was convicted and fined \$25 for assault, was told today by Police Judge Hugh MacFarland. Bill Link is the man named by the police judge.

"Link, on testimony showed," said Judge MacFarland, "knocked a man down twice at one of the mills recently because he believed he had been called a scab. He was brought into police court and when I asked him what he was doing he told me he was a policeman. I fined him \$25."

## FACE BOYCOTT CHARGE

Charge Three Wholesale Grocers Refused Goods to Merchant.

Danville, Ill., Aug. 12.—United States District Attorney Burnside and Earl E. Houck of the department of justice today are investigating charges of boycott and profiteering filed against three local wholesale grocery houses.

The charges were brought by James Blum of Covington, Ind., who declares that, because he under sold the wholesale houses, they refused to let him have goods.

Wind shields—J. K. Jones Paint Co.—Adv.

## BELLEVILLE ON MAP

Transcontinental Air Planes Will Pass Over Kansas.

Belleville, Kan., Aug. 12.—The North American Air Line association is promoting an air route from New York to San Francisco across Kansas via St. Joseph, Mo., Hiawatha, Belleville, Norton, Denver, Ernest S. Hightower, with his pilot, flew into Belleville today from Mankato and went over his proposition with the Commercial club. Tentative plans covering landing stations, memberships in the association were gone into.

Hightower has correspondence of approval from the air service of the government of his plans, together with that of the postmaster general, and predicts a great future in the early development of the air service for transportation.

## MUST ENFORCE LAWS

Attorney General Goes After the Traffic Violators.

Strict enforcement of automobile traffic rules and headlight ordinances is urged by the attorney general today in a letter to sheriffs, police officers and county attorneys in the state. In the letter it is stated that many complaints have been filed in the state office in which it is charged county and city officials are not properly enforcing these laws.

The attorney general points out that there are now more than 200,000 automobiles in the state and the enforcement of driving laws has grown to be one of the primary tasks of police officers.

## MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Kansas Life Insurance Company Holds Quarterly Directors' Meeting.

The directors of The Kansas Life Insurance company met in a quarterly directors' meeting Tuesday afternoon. The reports of the officers indicated a very favorable condition in the company.

The following directors were present: Capt. W. J. Watson, Pittsburg; Sen. Ben S. Paulsen, of Fredonia; Dr. P. Longenecker, of Emporia; W. H. Nelson, of Smith Center; W. C. Smith, Phillipsburg; and George McNeely, of Cottonwood Falls.

The business showed an increase in insurance in force during the last six months of \$902,862. Admitted assets had increased \$49,540.

## 49,498 YANKS KILLED

Final Casualty Report Lists Only 127 Soldiers as Missing.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Final casualty report from the central records office of the American expeditionary forces in France made public by the war department gave the total battle deaths at 49,498, total wounded 295,690, and prisoners 4,480.

"Only eight revisions" will be made in this report, it was announced. Recent corrections in the list of missing have reduced the number to only 127 names, as compared with 264,000 for France and 121,000 for England. To July 1 the army had reported 149,433 cases of disabled soldiers to the war risk bureau. It was estimated the final total would be close to 200,000.

## MUST MEET COST

City Cannot Afford To Neglect Essential Work.

C. L. Mitchell Outlines What Business Men Expect.

THEY ARE ALL FOR LOW TAXES

But All Want To See City Service Up To Standard.

Must Have Police Protection Regardless of Cost.

In a short talk made at a meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce Charles L. Mitchell, acting president of the institution, voiced the sentiment of the business men of Topeka in advising the members of the city commission that the "business men are for low taxes when low taxes are consistent with proper administration of the city's affairs."

At the meeting the entire city commission was present. The meeting it was held to consider the matter of securing a government landing field for Topeka.

The talk was short and directly to the point. It was as follows:

What He Said. "Mr. Mayor and members of the city commission. It seems to me that this is the appropriate time to express to you what I believe to be the desire of the majority of the largest taxpayers of our city. In making up your budget, we appreciate your endeavor to keep it as low as possible, but we do not expect nor want you to make that budget so low that it is going to hamper you in conducting the city's business any more than we would expect you to hamper our own business."

"We know it costs you more to run the city's business than it did—just the same as it does our business. We expect you to pay more for it, and we expect to pay the bill for it. We want our firemen, our policemen, in fact, every man and woman on the city payroll, to be paid the right kind of wages. With the present high cost of living we expect to pay them more, and should pay them more."

"With regard to the police force, we want sufficient policemen employed to give our taxpayers the protection which they should have. We realize that with our small police force you cannot cope with these burglaries which are going on practically every day, but we want it stopped. We want you to have a police force sufficient to cope with the situation."

Want a Flu Fund. "With regard to this 'flu epidemic,' we want you to provide in your budget for an emergency fund capable of handling this situation as it should be handled and handled properly to keep the death rate of our taxpayers down to a minimum. In other words, Mr. Mayor and Commissioners, I sincerely believe that I am speaking the sense and the desire of practically every taxpayer in the city when I make the statement to you that we look to you to run our city as a progressive city should be run."

We expect to pay the bill for the right kind of service, and all we ask of you is to be just as judicious in handling the city's affairs as you would be in handling your own, but we do not want any of the commissioners of the different departments to claim that they are unable to handle their department as a progressive city should be handled because they haven't the funds to do so."

## CIRCUS DAY, SEPT. 3

Combined Ringling and B. & B. To Show in Topeka.

The first advertising car of Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey combined circus is in town today. The thirty billposters, lithographers, distributors and circus boys today within a radius of thirty miles of the city advertising the coming of the world's first and only super-circus. The date for this city is Wednesday, September 3.

The combination of the world's two most famous shows is the most startling announcement in the history of amusements, and as a result the world's first and only super-circus is coming here. With the two shows made into one gigantic exhibition, but a little of the country can be traversed, and this section is one of the lucky spots in the country selected by the proper administration of the city's affairs.

The combined circus is the largest that has ever traveled in America. In the performance only the best features of the two famous shows have been retained. The net result is an all-star performance on the three rings, stages and in midair. The cream of the circus talent has been secured for the program, and together with the most startling importations new to America the program of the circus colossal has never been approached in this country.

An evidence of the monster size of the circus is given in the announcement that a quarter of a million pound elephant will be one of the features. Instead of the usual three herds of pachyderms, there will be five of these ponderous groups and the termination is a union of the mighty marvels on the hippodrome track where 25 elephants perform in union.

The zoo is augmented this year, entire herds of wild animals replacing the usual families that have been heretofore shown. Eight giraffes, the largest herd in existence and the only giraffes carried by any circus give a faint idea as to the size of the menagerie.

The street parade circus day is another feature. It is the largest street procession ever offered and a number of new novelties are included in the line of march.

TULSA IS WIDE OPEN

With Police on Strike, Dives Are Running Full Blast.

Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 13.—The lid is off as a result of the policemen's strike, and the dives are running full blast here. Gambling, bootlegging and immoral practices have never been so openly pined in Tulsa as right now.

Dr. C. L. Reeder, in charge of the venerable campaign here, has appealed to Mayor Hubbard for some action to compel men and women who have been under detention to comply with the law. The doctor says these people have refused since the strike to continue to respect the anti-vice regulations.

## HE WANTS HIS REWARD

Police Chief of Augusta Holds Car for \$100 Prize.

T. B. Armstrong, sheriff of Marion county, and John J. Wheeler, county attorney, called on Gov. Henry Allen today and demanded that ouster proceedings be filed against Chief of Police Wheat of Augusta. The Marion county officials claim Wheat is holding an automobile stolen from Marion county and refuses to release it unless a reward of \$100 is given to him.

The governor referred the officials to the attorney general. Their story was heard by Richard J. Hopkins, attorney general, this afternoon. Armstrong says the car was stolen from Dr. Anna Appleby, an osteopath at Marion. It was found abandoned near Augusta. The sheriff of Marion county sent descriptions of the automobile broadcast offering a reward of \$250 for the recovery of the car, arrest of the thief and his conviction.

It is claimed the chief of police has filled only one-third of the reward order and is entitled to nothing under the law excepting thanks and a sense of duty well and willingly done. The chief, however, holds he is entitled to a reward of \$100. Sheriff Armstrong stated today that the chief had been offered \$50 reward for the recovery of the machine but refused to take a cent less than \$100.

## HOLD PICNIC FRIDAY

Big Playgrounds Outing Will Be at Gage Park.

The big playgrounds picnic at Gage park will be held Friday instead of Saturday as had been announced. The picnic will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning and will close at 5 in the afternoon.

All day the swimming pool will be open to the playground members without charge and the day will be well filled with sports of various kinds.

## Doctor Tells How To Strengthen Eyesight 50 per cent In One Week's Time In Many Instances

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home.

Philadelphia, Pa. Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weakness? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. Many whose eyes were failing say they have had their eyes restored through the principle of this wonderful free prescription. One man says, after trying it: "I was almost blind; could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more."

At night they would pain dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me." A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with or without glasses, but after using this prescription for fifteen days everything seemed clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses can now discard them in a reasonable time and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to be spared the trouble and expense of ever getting glasses. Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonderfully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of a glass of water and allow it to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are bothering you, even a little, take steps to save them now before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.

Another prominent Philadelphia to whom the above article was submitted said: "Bon-Opto is a very remarkable remedy. I have seen specialists and widely prescribed by them. The manufacturers guarantee it to strengthen eyesight 50 per cent in one week's time in many instances or refund the money. It can be obtained from any good druggist and is one of the very few preparations I feel should be kept on hand for regular use in my family." It is sold in Topeka by Geo. W. Stansfield and other druggists.—Advertisement.

## GIVE LABOR VOICE

Urges of Senator France, Suggesting Parley at Capital.

Says Responsibility Will Quiet Many Wage Demands.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Labor must be given a greater share in industry, Senator France, Maryland, declared today in suggesting that representatives of capital and labor be called to Washington for a conference.

Fundamental changes in industry are inevitable and with unrest at its present tension frank talk from both sides around the same table would clear the air and bring the groups nearer together, France said. Such a conference would promote co-operation, which is essential to increased production, just now, he added.

"The average worker is tired of being a machine drudge and he needs an incentive and a personal interest in his work. This outlet could be found in shop committees which would not only have a part in determining working conditions, but would be represented on the board of directors."

Such a plan would not mean that the workers would run the industries as they do in Russia, France explained, and earnings would not be confiscated. "In fact, if a man feels he is really an important part of the firm that employs him he will be content with a smaller share of the profits than otherwise, because he has a responsibility," France declared.

This plan, France declared, has been in vogue for some time in Great Britain and is being adopted by the more enterprising concerns in the United States.

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**ARMSTRONG Cabinet Grand.** This instrument has been refinished and looks like new. Has plain case design with small amount of carving on top panel, wrapped bass strings, full metal plate, ivory keys, three pedals. This piano is going in our sale at **\$340.00**

**ELBURN Upright.** This piano has been rented for a few months, and positively cannot be told from new. Case is in a beautiful shade of dark brown Oak. A perfect instrument, and a rare bargain at the price of **\$275.00**

**CHICKERING & SONS Upright Grand.** This is one of the famous old makes of pianos in Ebony Case. Has old style panels, full metal plate, two pedals, wrapped bass strings. Tone and action are good and this will make an excellent practice piano for children. Going in the sale at the unusual price of **\$125.00**

**H. P. NELSON Upright.** This instrument has been refinished and looks just like new. It is a beautiful shade of dark Mahogany. Has carved trusses of fancy design. Full swinging music rack, ivory keys, three pedals. This instrument has a clear, rich tone, the action is perfect and is one of the best values offered in the sale. Price is only **\$250.00**

**ELBURN PLAYER PIANO.** Golden Oak case, full 88-note player. We have had this instrument refinished and thoroughly gone over in our shop by our expert repairman and this piano is just as good as new. Case is perfectly plain, has square trusses and full swinging music rack. Player action is equipped with late style six-point motor, automatic sustaining pedal, automatic tracker, and graduated pedal control levers. We give with this instrument 15 choice rolls of your own selection. A wonderful opportunity for some one to secure a high grade player-piano at the price of a piano, namely **\$410.00**

**HENNING Upright Grand.** Mahogany Case, slightly varnish checked, plain case design except oval panel in top frame. Has full music rack, copper wrapped bass strings, seven and one-third octaves, ivory keys, three pedals, and also has the added features of a mandolin attachment. A rare bargain at the low price of **\$185.00**

**CLIFFORD WELLS Upright.** A beautiful piano, in a rich shade of Mahogany, satin finish. This is another instrument that has been rented for a few months, and it positively cannot be told from new. Action is very responsive, tone is clear and bell-like, and the case design is plain and artistic, with no hand-carving whatever. A piano which will please and satisfy the discriminating purchaser. Going in the sale at **\$315.00**

**PRICE & TEEPLE Upright Grand.** A large size instrument in a dark oak case, newly refinished with a little hand carving on the top and lower panels, round trusses, empire top. The piano has three brass pedals, wrapped bass strings, ivory keys, spruce sounding board. Tone is sweet and mellow, and action of the piano is in excellent condition. A real buy at our sale price of **\$260.00**

**BRAMBACH Baby Grand.** This grand piano has never been sold. It is in a very pretty shade of Mahogany. The instrument is slightly shopworn, and outside of a few minor scratches on the case, is absolutely perfect. Has a wonderful tone, and the action is of the best quality. It is a small grand and can be placed to advantage in a room of very moderate dimensions. This would make an unusually fine instrument for a church, or for some musician or music teacher who wanted to economize on the purchase of a Grand piano. Priced at **\$540**

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